BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2012-434-T - ORDER NO. 2013-218

APRIL 25, 2013

IN RE: Application of Low Country Moving
Specialists, LLC for a Class E (Household
Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience
and Necessity for Operation of Motor
Vehicle Carrier

ORDER APPROVING
CLASS E (HOUSEHOLD
GOODS) CERTIFICATE
OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the Application of Low Country Moving Specialists, LLC ("Applicant") for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. The Applicant seeks authority to move household goods in Charleston, Dorchester, and Berkeley Counties. Pursuant to Commission regulation, the Applicant timely published notice of this matter in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where authority to operate is sought. No parties intervened, and a hearing on the Application was held on April 3, 2013, in the offices of the Commission.

The parties at the hearing included the Applicant and the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"). The Applicant was represented by W. Dean Murphy, III, Esquire, and presented the testimony of Jose R. Dos Santos. ORS was represented by Courtney Edwards, Esquire, and presented the testimony of George Parker, Manager of the ORS Transportation Department.

During the hearing, Dos Santos testified about his knowledge and experience in the moving industry and stated that he was aware of and intended to comply with the Commission's regulations concerning household goods movers. For ORS, Parker testified that he found the Application to be in order. Parker also stated that he performed an inspection and found the Applicant's equipment to be acceptable.

The Commission also finds the Application to be in order. Additionally, we conclude that the Applicant has demonstrated that it is fit, willing, and able to operate as a household goods mover pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-330 and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133. Furthermore, we find that the public convenience and necessity is not already being served by existing authorized service. Therefore, the Application of Low Country Moving Specialists, LLC should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. The Application of Low Country Moving Specialists, LLC for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is approved for the Applicant to transport household goods in Charleston, Dorchester, and Berkeley Counties.
- 2. The Applicant shall file with the Office of Regulatory Staff the proper insurance, safety rating, and other information required by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and by S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-100 through 103-241 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 38-400 through 38-503 of the Department of Public Safety's Rules and

Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.

- 3. Upon compliance with S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and the applicable Regulations for Motor Carriers, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. Vol. 10 (1976), as amended, a Certificate shall be issued by the Office of Regulatory Staff authorizing the motor carrier services granted herein.
- 4. Prior to compliance with the above-referenced requirements and receipt of a Certificate, the motor carrier services authorized by this Order shall not be provided.
- 5. Failure of the Applicant to either (1) complete the certification process by complying with the Office of Regulatory Staff requirements of causing to be filed with the Commission proof of appropriate insurance and an acceptable safety rating within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order or (2) to request and obtain from the Commission additional time to comply with the requirements of the Commission as stated above, may result in the authorization approved in the Order being revoked.

6. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

David A. Wright, Chairman

ATTEST:

Randy Mitchell, Vice Chairman

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